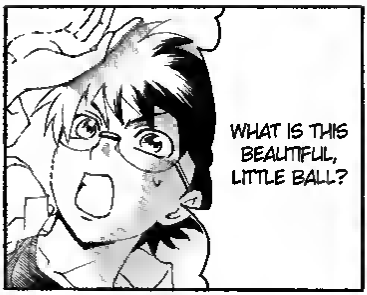
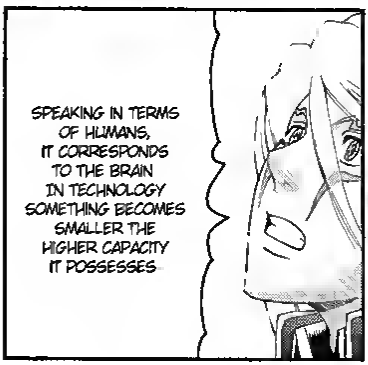
The 18th Time
The Birth of Rein


WHAT IS THIS BEAUTIFUL, LITTLE BALL?


SPEAKING IN TERMS OF HUMANS, IT CORRESPONDS TO THE BRAIN IN TECHNOLOGY SOMETHING BECOMES SMALLER THE HIGHER CAPACITY IT POSSESSES

MACHINA-KUN, WHAT ABOUT THE ATTACKS OF THE ENEMY IN CYBERSPACE?
THEY STILL HAVEN'T DECLINED. I'M HURRYING UP WITH REIN'S DOWNLOAD

IS A 3D LIVING BODY PRINTER!
YES, THIS APPARA-TUS...
JUST LIKE ME SHE IS COMING TO THIS WORLD BY THE MEANS OF DEM II'S TECHNOLOGY.
HOWEVER, COMPARED TO ME, THERE ARE HUGE DIFFERENCES FOR ONE, THAT SHE HAS EMOTIONS AND..
T-THERE'S ANOTHER ONE!?
WHAT! LIVING BODY!?
DOES THAT MEAN REIN IS GOING TO BE BORN INTO THIS WORLD AS A HUMAN!?

NO, RATHER, SHE SURPASSES HUMANITY.. THIS ALSO GOES BEYOND THE LIMITS OF EVOLUTION. SHE'S A COMPLETELY NEW LIFE FORM.
A NEW LIFE FORM!?
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CARDIO-PULMONARY FUNCTION STARTED!

HOT, HOT, HOT!
SHE'S AWAKENING!
ALL FUNCTIONS NORMAL.
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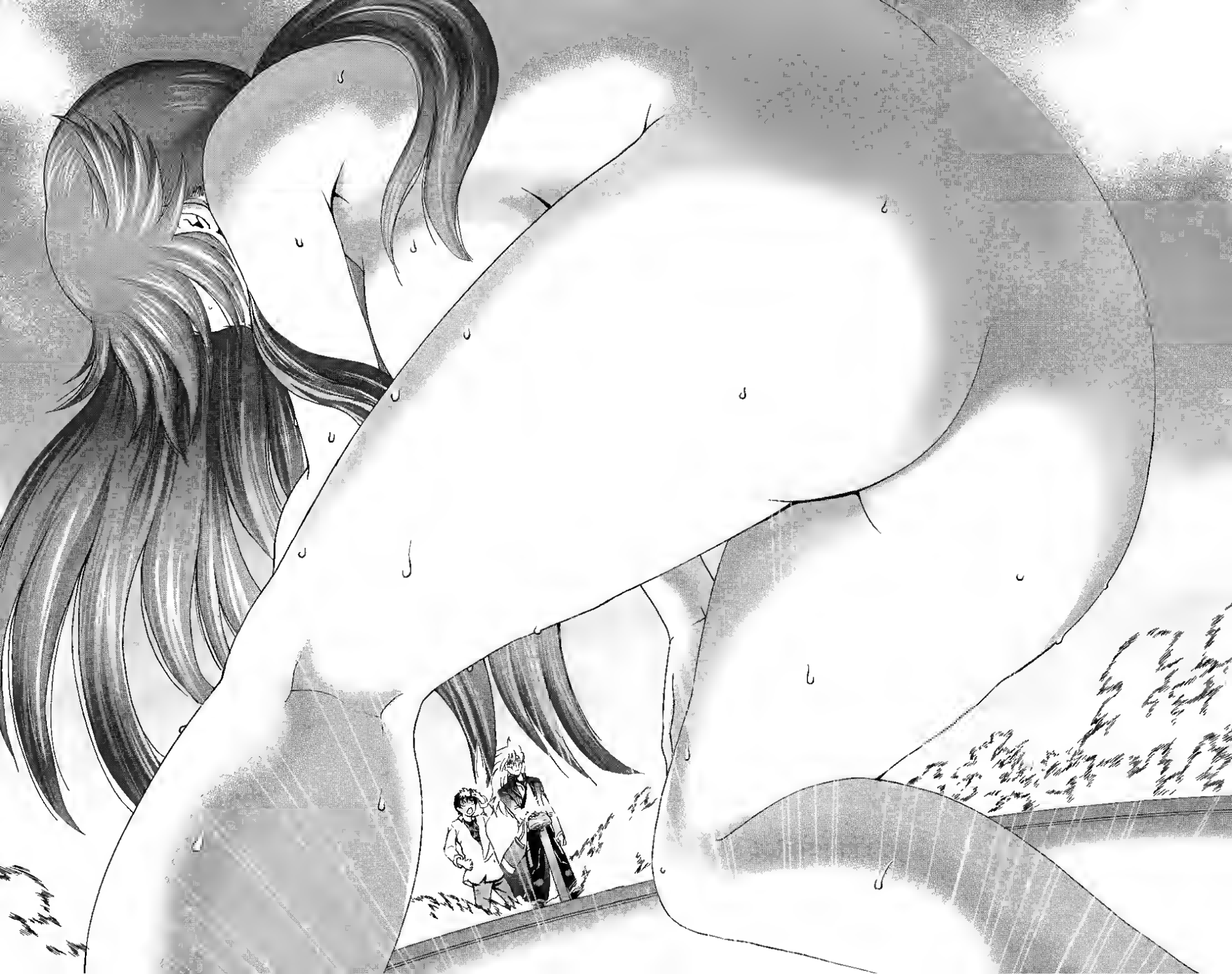

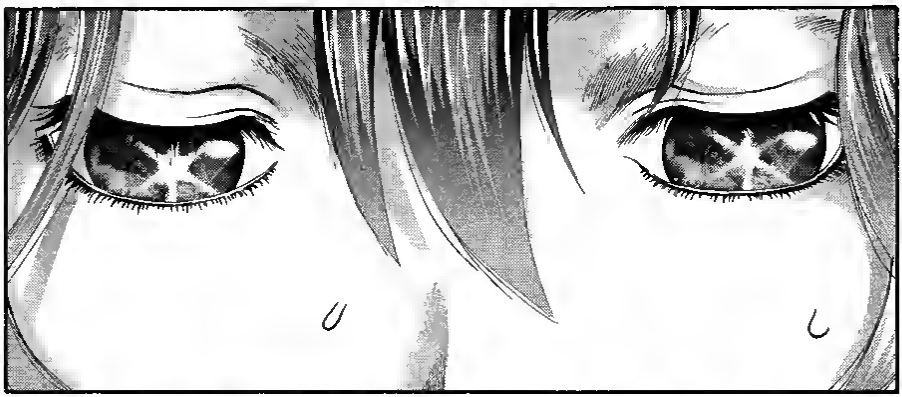

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THE COLOR OF HER EYES IS SO MYSTERIOUS. AS IF ONE HAD INTERFUSED OPALS AND SAPPHIRES...
THIS GIRL HAS A DIFFERENT ATMOSPHERE FROM THE ONE I SAW IN MY DREAM VISIONS AND FROM WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
THIS IS... REIN.
IT'S LIKE I'M BEING SUCKED INTO THEM WHEN I LOOK AT HER...
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FURTHER-MORE...
WHAT IS WRONG? WERE YOU INJURED?
UH...
I...
HER HAIR IS A COMPLEX COLOR AS WELL... ITS SHADE CHANGES WITH EVERY ANGLE...

I'M BACK, TOKIWA

MAGNIFICENT, A WISDOM THAT SURPASSES EVEN MINE. SO MANY RIDDLES WILL BE COMPLETELY SOLVED NOW.
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CONFIRMING REIN'S CONSTRUCTION LOG...
THAT REALLY IS THE REIN WHO USED TO VISIT ME WHEN I WAS A CHILD!
I WENT TOO FAR.. WITH MY EXPRESSION AS YOUR FRIEND I FORMALLY APOLOGIZE.
YEAH, YEAH, ACCEPTED
HEH-, ARE YOU BORED OF THE LOW LEVEL CONVERSATIONS WITH ME?
APART FROM THAT, AND ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE, I HAVE FINALLY FOUND SOMEONE WITH WHOM I CAN ENJOY CONVERSATIONS ON THE SAME LEVEL.
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BUT ANYWAY SINCE I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO TURN MY EYES, PLEASE GIVE HER SOMETHING TO WEAR
AND WHAT IS THIS "TIME OF EXISTENCE"...
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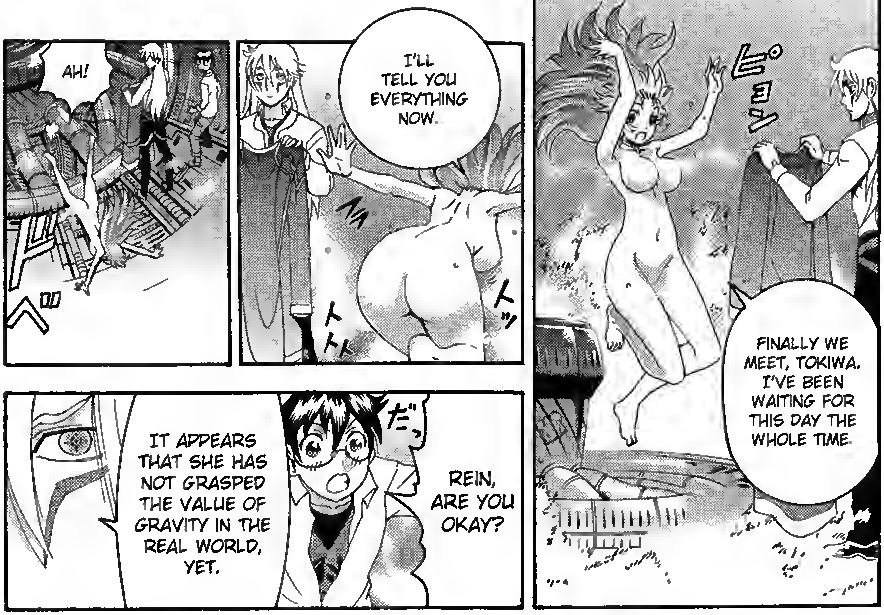
OH RIGHT, THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS I WANT TO ASK YOU! WHY DID YOU APPEAR IN OUR DREAMS...


AH!
I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING NOW.
FINALLY WE MEET, TOKIWA. I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS DAY THE WHOLE TIME.
IT APPEARS THAT SHE HAS NOT GRASPED THE VALUE OF GRAVITY IN THE REAL WORLD, YET.
REIN, ARE YOU OKAY?

IT'S?
IT'S...
THE THING I WANT TO TELL YOU.
IT'S...

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WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?
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WHA-AA-!
NO WAY! I FORGOT IT!
THE IMPORTANT THING THAT I HAVE TO TELL YOU... THAT THING...
HUH?
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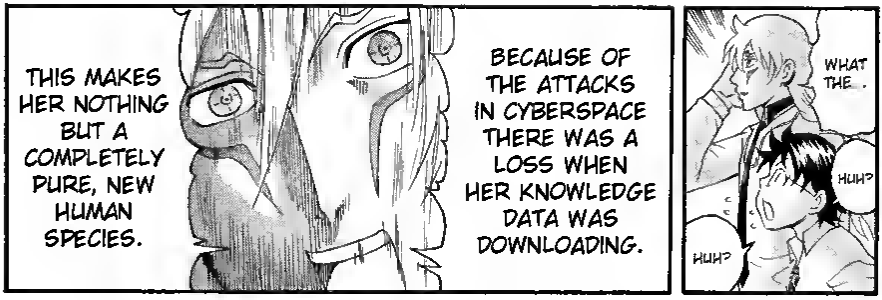
THIS MAKES HER NOTHING BUT A COMPLETELY PURE, NEW HUMAN SPECIES.
BECAUSE OF THE ATTACKS IN CYBERSPACE THERE WAS A LOSS WHEN HER KNOWLEDGE DATA WAS DOWNLOADING.
WHAT THE...
HUH?
HUH?

WHAAT!

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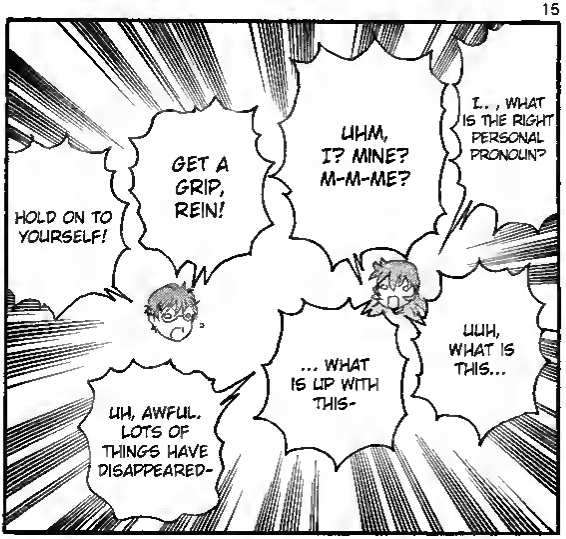
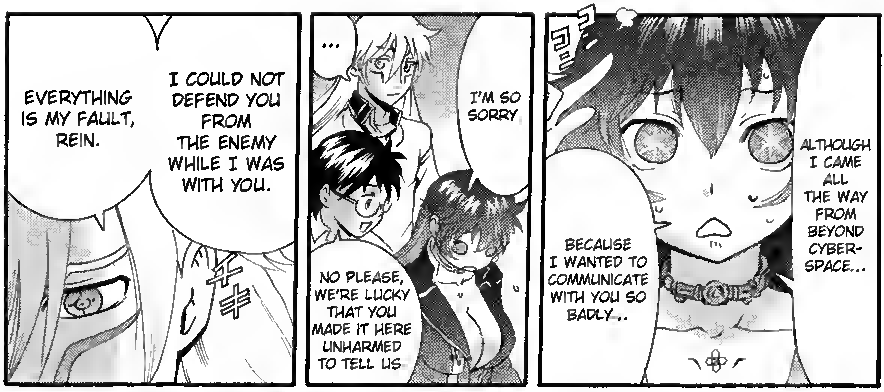
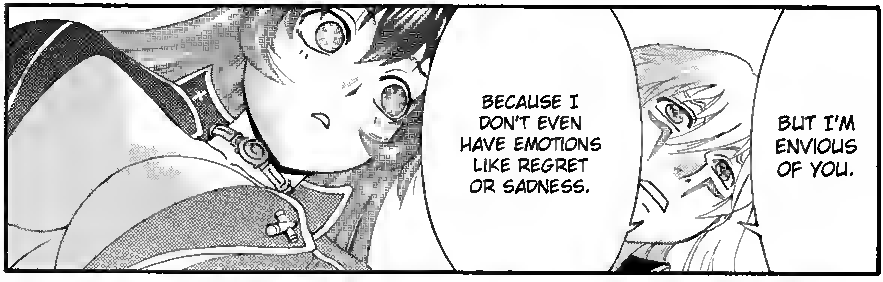

I.., WHAT IS THE RIGHT PERSONAL PRONOUN?
UHM, I? MINE? M-M-ME?
GET A GRIP, REIN!
HOLD ON TO YOURSELF!
UUH, WHAT IS THIS...
... WHAT IS UP WITH THIS-
UH, AWFUL. LOTS OF THINGS HAVE DISAPPEARED-


ALTHOUGH I CAME ALL THE WAY FROM BEYOND CYBER-SPACE...
BECAUSE I WANTED TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU SO BADLY..
I'M SO SORRY
...
NO PLEASE, WE'RE LUCKY THAT YOU MADE IT HERE UNHARMED TO TELL US
I COULD NOT DEFEND YOU FROM THE ENEMY WHILE I WAS WITH YOU.
EVERYTHING IS MY FAULT, REIN.


BUT I'M ENVIOUS OF YOU.
BECAUSE I DON'T EVEN HAVE EMOTIONS LIKE REGRET OR SADNESS.

IN ORDER TO GAIN EMOTIONS I MONITORED THE SORROWS OF HUMANS FOR OVER A DECADE.
WHEN YOU ARE AROUND HUMANS, I'M SURE, ONE DAY...
YOU WILL AS WELL.
SINCE IT HAPPENED BY ACCIDENT, MAYBE HER FRAGMENTED MEMORIES CAN BE RECOVERED
COULD IT BE HER MEMORY HAS NOT COMPLETELY DISAP-PEARED?
THAT IS

THIS IS...
giggle
THE WORLD.
THE WATER IN THIS RIVER ISN'T VERY CLEAN!
COLD.
AH!
IT MUST BE THE FIRST TIME THAT SHE DIRECTLY FEELS SOMETHING TOUCH HER SKIN.
HE'S RIGHT. SHE'S EXPERIENCING EVERYTHING FOR THE FIRST TIME.
AH, YOUR FEET HURT, RIGHT. I'LL GIVE YOU MY SHOES.
OUCH.
THIS IS WIND!
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sniff sniff
IT'S COLD.

THE SMELL OF GUNPOWDER SMOKE AND GUN GREASE... THIS MEANS...
GUNS.
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WE WERE CORRECT TO OBSERVE THESE FACILITIES, WHICH DEM II HAD CONSTRUCTED, FOR SO MANY YEARS.
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WHAT?
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PRESENCE OF SEVERAL WEAPONS CONFIRMED!

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NOW, COME WITH US.
DEUS EX MACHINA THIRD GENERATION.

Shun Matsuena

Tokiwa Kitareri!! Chapter 18

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